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**Fostering Undergraduate Talent by Unlocking Resources for Education Act:** The House agreed to the Jayapal motion to concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2486, to reauthorize mandatory funding programs for historically Black colleges and universities and other minority-serving institutions, with an amendment specified in section 4(b) of H. Res. 891, by a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 154. **Pages H3624–42, H3666–67**

**Taxpayer First Act:** The House agreed to the Grijalva motion to concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 1957, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service, by a yea-and-nay vote of 310 yeas to 107 nays, Roll No. 155. **Pages H3642–57, H3667–68**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend title 54, United States Code, to establish, fund, and provide for the use of amounts in a National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund to address the maintenance backlog of the National Park Service, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the Forest Service, and the Bureau of Indian Education, and to provide permanent, dedicated funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and for other purposes.”

**Unanimous Consent Agreement—Consideration of H.R. 7573:** Agreed by unanimous consent that debate under clause 1(c) of rule XV on the motion to suspend the rules relating to H.R. 7573 be extended to one hour. **Pages H3657–58**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

*Directing the Architect of the Capitol to replace the bust of Roger Brooke Taney in the Old Supreme Court Chamber of the United States Capitol with a bust of Thurgood Marshall to be obtained by the Joint Committee on the Library and to remove certain statues from areas of the United States Capitol which are accessible to the public, to remove all statues of individuals who voluntarily served the Confederate States of America from display in the United States Capitol:* H.R. 7573, amended, to direct the Architect of the Capitol to replace the bust of Roger Brooke Taney in the Old Supreme Court Chamber of the United States Capitol with a bust of Thurgood Marshall to be ob-

tained by the Joint Committee on the Library and to remove certain statues from areas of the United States Capitol which are accessible to the public, to remove all statues of individuals who voluntarily served the Confederate States of America from display in the United States Capitol, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 305 yeas to 113 nays, Roll No. 156. **Pages H3657–65, H3668–69**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Joint Committee on the Library to replace the bust of Roger Brooke Taney in the Old Supreme Court Chamber of the United States Capitol with a bust of Thurgood Marshall to be obtained by the Joint Committee on the Library and to remove certain statues from areas of the United States Capitol which are accessible to the public, to remove all statues of individuals who voluntarily served the Confederate States of America from display in the United States Capitol, and for other purposes.” **Pages H3668–69**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13581 with respect to significant transnational criminal organizations is to continue in effect beyond July 24, 2020—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–137). **Pages H3670–71**

**Senate Referral:** S. 3989 was held at the desk.

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3642.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3666, H3666–67, H3667–68, and H3668–69.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### EXAMINING THE NATIONAL RESPONSE TO THE WORSENING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC: PART II

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the National Response to the Worsening Coronavirus Pandemic: Part II”. Testimony was heard from Peter T. Gaynor, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States held a hearing on H.R. 958, the “Native Youth and Tribal Officer Protection Act”; H.R. 6237, the “PRC for Native

Veterans Act”; H.R. 6535, the “Coverage for Urban Indian Health Providers Act”; and H.R. 7119, the “Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act of 2020”. Testimony was heard from Jason O’Neal, Assistant Deputy Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs—Office of Justice Services, Department of the Interior; Rear Admiral Michael D. Weahkee, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

#### **F-35 JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER: ENSURING SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE GOVERNMENT’S TRILLION DOLLAR INVESTMENT**

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “F-35 Joint Strike Fighter: Ensuring Safety and Accountability in the Government’s Trillion Dollar Investment”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Eric T. Fick, Program Executive Officer, F-35 Joint Program Office, Department of Defense; Theresa Hull, Assistant Inspector General, Department of Defense; Ellen Lord, Under Secretary for Acquisitions and Sustainment, Department of Defense; Diana Maurer, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, Government Accountability Office; and a public witness.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 7608, the “Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2021” [State, Foreign Operations, Agriculture, Rural Development, Interior, Environment, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2021]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 7608, the “State, Foreign Operations, Agriculture, Rural Development, Interior, Environment, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2021”. The rule provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–59 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides that clause 2(e) of Rule XXI shall not apply during consideration of the bill. Section 2 of the rule provides that following debate, each further amendment printed in the Rules Committee report not

earlier considered as part of amendments en bloc pursuant to section 3 shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before the question is put thereon, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. Section 3 of the rule provides that at any time after debate the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or her designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report and amendments en bloc described in section 3. The rule provides that during consideration of the amendments described in sections 2 and 3, it shall not be in order to use a decrease in Overseas Contingency Operations funds to offset an amendment that increases an appropriation not designated as Overseas Contingency Operations funds or vice versa. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Lowey, and Representatives Rogers of Kentucky, Bishop of Georgia, Fortenberry, McCollum, Joyce of Ohio, Wasserman Schultz, Carter of Texas, Jackson Lee, Titus, Burgess, Crawford, Gianforte, González-Colón of Puerto Rico, Graves of Louisiana, Grothman, and Stauber.

#### **21ST CENTURY SBA: AN ANALYSIS OF SBA’S TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight, and Regulations held a hearing entitled “21st Century SBA: An Analysis of SBA’s Technology Systems”. Testimony was heard from Guy Cavallo, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Small Business Administration.

#### **SAFETY FOR ALL: ENDING SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations; and Women Veterans Task Force held a joint hearing entitled “Safety for All: Ending Sexual Harassment in the Department of Veterans Affairs”. Testimony was heard from Pamela Powers, Acting Deputy Secretary, Department of

Veterans Affairs; Cindy Brown Barnes, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; and a public witness.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine the state of United States spectrum policy, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on users of public lands, forests, and national parks, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lisa S. Kenna, of Vermont, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru, Leora Rosenberg Levy, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile, Aldona Z. Wos, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to Canada, and William W. Popp, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guatemala, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 4212, to amend title 28, United States Code, to strip foreign sovereign immunity of certain foreign states to secure justice for victims of novel coronavirus in the United States, and the nominations of David W. Dugan, and Stephen P. McGlynn, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, John W. Holcomb, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Hala Y. Jarbou, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, Iain D. Johnston, and Franklin Ulyses Valderrama, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Brett H. Ludwig, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, R. Shireen Matthews, and Todd Wallace Robinson, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Christy Criswell Wiegand, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and Roderick C. Young, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, 10 a.m., SD-325.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold hearings to examine capital access for minority small businesses, focusing on COVID-19 resources for an equitable and sustainable recovery, 10 a.m., SD-430.

#### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit, hearing entitled “On Farm Energy Production: Impacts on Farm Income and

Rural Communities”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth and Webex.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Underfunded and Unprepared: Examining How to Overcome Obstacles to Safely Reopen Public Schools”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Heroes Act: Providing for a Strong Economic Recovery from COVID-19”, 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Trump Administration’s FY2021 Foreign Assistance Budget Request”, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2678, the “No President is Above the Law Act”; H.R. 7694, the “Abuse of the Pardon Prevention Act”; and to Ratify Subcommittee Assignments, 10 a.m., CVC-200 and Webex.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Transformation of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA)”, 3:30 p.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform,* Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled “Empowering Women and Girls and Promoting International Security”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 6039, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to seek to enter into an agreement with the city of Vallejo, California, for the transfer of Mare Island Naval Cemetery in Vallejo, California, and for other purposes; H.R. 6082, the “Forgotten Vietnam Veterans Act”; H.R. 4908, the “Native American PACT Act”; H.R. 2791, the “Department of Veterans Affairs Tribal Advisory Committee Act of 2019”; H.R. 4526, the “Brian Tally VA Employment Transparency Act”; H.R. 3582, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the scope of the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, and for other purposes; H.R. 96, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish dental care in the same manner as any other medical service, and for other purposes; H.R. 4281, the “Access to Contraception Expansion for Veterans Act”; H.R. 3010, the “Honoring All Veterans Act”; H.R. 7163, the “VA FOIA Reform Act of 2020”; H.R. 7111, the “Veterans Economic Recovery Act of 2020”; H.R. 2435, the “Accelerating Veterans Recovery Outdoors Act”; H.R. 7287, to clarify the licensure requirements for contractor medical professionals to perform medical disability examinations for the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3228, the “VA Mission Telehealth Clarification Act”; H.R. 6141, the “Protecting Moms Who Served Act”; H.R. 6493, the “Veterans Benefits Fairness and Transparency Act”; H.R. 7445, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for home loans from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to certain members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces; legislation on the Burial Equity for Guards and Reserves Act of 2020; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend